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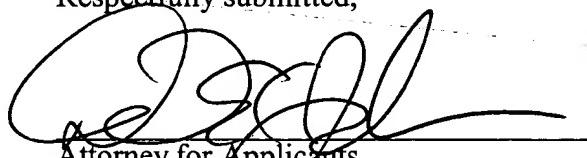
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- (1) U.S. 4,513,424
- (2) EP 0 820 132 A2
- (3) EP 0 280 044

References (1) to (3) were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. Application. A copy of the European Search Report, which is dated July 30, 2003, is enclosed. In view of this date, it is hereby certified under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) that each document in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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